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In re Application of N. Mahadev, et al.	
Application Number 10/683,927	Filed October 10, 2003
For METHOD AND APPARATUS TO PROVIDE A GMR LAPPING PLATE TEXTURIZATION USING A PHOTO-CHEMICAL PROCESS	
Art Unit 1763	Examiner Roberts P. Culbert

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

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